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## FARM MECHANIZATION CONTINUES QUOTAS RELAXED

CULTIVATED ACREAGE INCREASES -- Bashkimi, No 1532, 23 Nov 49

Since liberation and the agrarian reform, the cultivated area of Albania has increased from 263,630 hectares in 1945, when the agrarian reform was put into effect, to 317,000 hectares in 1948. According to the state plan for agriculture, 357,500 hectares of land will be planted during the agricultural year 1949-50, or 83,870 [sic] hectares more than in 1946.

The major reclamation projects carried out since the war include the Maliq, Beden, and Myzeqe canals.

Retween 1946 and 1948 the government exterded 29,570,103 lek of agricultural credit, and is scheduled to spend 35,451,461 lek in this manner in 1949.

Since the war, 58 agricultural cooperatives have been established in Albania.

In 1945 there were 28 tractors, 10 threshers 16 planters, 10 binders, 20 movers, no cultivators, and no power reapers in Albania. Machine tractor stations now have the following in service: 288 tractors, 270 threshers, 158 planters, 26 binders, 162 mowers, 100 cultivators, 50 reapers, and 163 stationary motors.

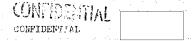
The number of agricultural cooperatives in Albania has increased as follows:

	<u> 1946</u>	<u> 1947</u>	1948	Oct 49		
Cooperatives	7	21	.56	58		
Membership (families) Area (na)	217 942.8	1,825 3,671.8	2,428 10,870	2,343 11,008.6		

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In 1948, the estimated distribution of agriculture among the various sectors was as follows:

Sector	No of Families	Ha Under Cultivation	Clive Grove
Private Cooperative State Religious	139,994 2,428  	269,068 10,870 17,500 1,062	1,480,14 6,000 235,500 3,086
% rotal	142,422	398,500	1,730,000

LIBERALIZES CROP-PURCHASE QUOTAS -- Zeri i Popullit, No 279, 19 Nov 49

Order No 7, effective 16 November 1949, includes the following amendments to Order No 7 of 10 March 1949 on the crop purchase of cereals in 1950.

The quotas for the crop purchase of beans are changed to the following: for Class I rarms, 0.18 quintals per hectare; Class II, 0.13; Class III, 0.08; Class IV, 0.03.

Private and cooperative producers may substitute other cereals for those in the left-hand column, as follows:

## Substitute: (in kg)

For 100 kg of:	$\underline{\text{Wheat}}$	Rye	Parley	Oats	Spel:	Corn	Rice	Beans
Wnest		110	130	130	150	120	50	55
Rye	100		120	120	140	1,20	50	55
Barley	100	100		100	120	100	46	50
Oats	100	100	100		120	100	44	47
Spelt	80	08	100	100		90	40	42
Corn	100	100	110	110	1140		50	<b>5</b> 5
Rice	200	200	220	230	260	290		120
Beans	180	180	200	210	250	190	90	

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